

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### A TRIBUTE TO LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Los Angeles City College (LACC) upon its eighty-fifth anniversary.

LACC's site is one of the most significant locations in Los Angeles' education history, as it was not just the first community college in Los Angeles, but also served as the initial campus for both the University of California Los Angeles (UCLA) and Cal State University Los Angeles. Its storied history began with the Normal School in Los Angeles, which provided graduates with credentials to teach kindergarten through twelfth grade. In 1919, to address the city's request for a local university, the Normal School transitioned into serving as the southern branch of the University of California Berkeley (UC Berkeley) for classes only; and in 1925, UC Berkeley permitted the southern branch, now UCLA, to award degrees.

In 1929, after UCLA purchased their own land and moved west, the Los Angeles Board of Education bought the campus and turned it into the Los Angeles Junior College, now called Los Angeles City College. On September 4, 1929, LACC welcomed 1,350 students to its first fall semester, at the time the fourth largest academic institution in the country. Under new president Dr. William Henry Snyder, LACC's mission was twofold: to provide two years of transfer education, and to provide career training with general education via vocational programs such as civil engineering, mechanical and electrical engineering, civic health, aeronautical engineering, secretarial science, social arts, and general business.

The Depression era saw enrollment grow in 1933 from over 4,000 students to nearly 7,000 students in 1940. Enrollment dropped significantly during World War II, and during this time, the college assisted the war effort by conducting courses for the Aviation Ground School, Civilian Pilot Training Program, the Army Specialized Training, and the Naval Reserve. After the war's end, many students attended LACC under the G.I. Bill, when enrollment went from 3,000 to 8,000 and half of the students were veterans. In 1947, an experimental four-year school was formed on the campus, called the Los Angeles State College of Applied Arts and Science, which while an admirable idea, proved to be impractical; so in 1955, the four-year school moved east to become California State University Los Angeles. During the 1950's, LACC received its first accreditation as a junior college, classes covering remedial instruction and new occupational programs including computer technology, human services, dental assisting, and nuclear medicine technology were offered, and an American Cultures Department was formed.

The 1960's saw increased diversity among the student body, and new programs such as community service and non-credited classes in recreational areas, and the 1970's brought its first woman president, Dr. Stelle Feuers and an enrollment of 22,000 students. Today, some of LACC's programs and developments include the addition of a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Academy, a Guardian Scholars Program (GSP) for current and former foster youth, and the LACC Alumni Association Foundation which includes a database of over 500,000 alumni. Famous LACC alumni include composer John Williams, musicians Leonard Slatkin, Les McCann, and Odette, actors Donna Reed, Morgan Freeman, Clint Eastwood, Esther Williams and Robert Vaughn, and producer Gene Roddenberry, creator of Star Trek. The college is currently thriving under the guidance of President Renee D. Martinez.

I ask all Members to join with me in commending Los Angeles City College for eighty-five years of educating the greater Los Angeles community.

### IN RECOGNITION OF BILL EVANS ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM SKYTOWER COMMUNICATIONS

**HON. BRETT GUTHRIE**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Bill Evans. Considered to have pioneered FM radio in Hardin County, Bill is set to retire as Owner and President of Skytower Communications.

Bill previously served as president of the Kentucky Broadcasters Association, even receiving the Kentucky Mic Award. He was also active with the National Association of Broadcasters, serving as a board member for the Kentucky and West Virginia region. Bill also served as President of the Hardin County Chamber of Commerce, in addition to receiving the Big E award and being named the Small Business Person of the Year.

Anyone who knows Bill knows that he's only one-half of a team. That other half is his wife, Marilyn. Together, they have served as chair of the United Way Committee and are very active at Severns Valley Baptist Church, where Bill has served three terms as a deacon and is currently chairman of the deacons. Marilyn has also been instrumental with her work on the Hardin County Fair Board and in leading the creation of a free children's fair for the community. Marilyn has also served as President of the Junior Women's Club. A real fixture in the community, Bill and Marilyn make quite the team.

I wish Bill well in his retirement, but know he will continue to be a driving force in Hardin County.

### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF SENATOR JESUS (JESS) Q. TORRES

**HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of my friend Jesus "Jess" Q. Torres. Mr. Torres served as a Senator in the 16th Guam Legislature. Senator Torres passed away on November 10, 2014 at the age of 72.

Senator Torres was born on August 14, 1942 to Jose Pangelinan and Felecita Quinene Torres. He graduated from George Washington High School. He attended the University of Nebraska, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science.

Mr. Torres served in the United States Army from 1967 to 1969 and was honorably discharged at the rank of Sergeant. After his time in the Army, Jess became a staff assistant to the late Governor Carlos G. Camacho. Jess went on to serve as the Deputy Director of the Department of Land Management and then as the Administrative Director of the 15th Guam Legislature.

Jess was then elected to the 16th Guam Legislature where he served from 1981 to 1982. After his time at the Guam Legislature, he was appointed by Governor Joseph Ada to be the Executive Manager of the Guam International Airport Authority from January 1987 to January 1995. During his term, he oversaw the construction of the current terminal at the GIAA, which was designated as the Antonio B. Won Pat Guam International Airport Authority, in honor of Guam's first Delegate to Congress.

In 2003, Jess was chosen by Governor Felix Camacho to serve on the GIAA's Board of Directors and he chaired the Committee on Personnel. In 2004, he was appointed to a second term as GIAA's Executive Manager. During this term, Jess is credited for turning around five consecutive years of losses and reducing the expenditures of the GIAA. He was also recognized for his efficiency and management skills that led to vast improvements at the Airport Authority.

Mr. Torres has also served on the Board of Directors of the Guam Economic Development Authority. He played an active role in politics on Guam and served as the Chairman of the Republican Party of Guam, where he was instrumental in the party's success and maintaining party unity.

I am deeply saddened by the passing of Senator Jess Torres, and I join the people of Guam in celebrating his life and recognizing his dedicated service to Guam. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, loved ones and friends. He will be missed, and his memory will live on in the hearts of the people of Guam.

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## A TRIBUTE TO LEWIS MACADAMS

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lewis MacAdams, Jr. whose life's work and 70th birthday are being celebrated at the Friends of Los Angeles River's (FoLAR) Fandango on October 12th, 2014.

The project that would most define Lewis's extraordinary life, and ultimately redefine the landscape of Los Angeles, began in 1985 when he co-founded the Friends of Los Angeles River. Lewis says that he asked the Los Angeles River if he could speak for it, and the river, in his words, "didn't say no."

Lewis has described the revitalization of the Los Angeles River as his "forty-year artwork." He began this work with a series of community clean-ups, performances and protests. His early efforts blossomed into a social movement that has given Los Angeles a renewed sense of its own possibility for ecological transformation. Using poetry as well as politics, Lewis fought back against projects that would have extinguished the last glimmer of life out of the river, organizing broad community coalitions and winning the support of officials at every level of government.

Over the past three decades, Lewis's leadership of FoLAR has given Angelenos a vision of the river as a 51-mile greenway from the mountains to the sea. FoLAR's annual "La Gran Limpieza" has drawn thousands of volunteers to clean up the river, has trained dozens of educators, and has introduced thousands of students to the river's existence and ecology. He has led countless ecological studies, vastly enriching the region's understanding of the river's abundant and diverse habitats. In 2014, FoLAR's vast library of environmental work was acquired by the special collections of the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) archive.

Most recently, Lewis MacAdams, Jr. helped win the Army Corps of Engineers' support for the habitat restoration and redevelopment of the Los Angeles River to return it to its pristine state generations ago. Without Lewis MacAdams' passion, commitment and drive, the cultural and ecological health of the Los Angeles River would be unimaginably diminished. In celebration of the FoLAR Fandango, I ask all Members of Congress to join me in commending Lewis MacAdams, Jr. for his great accomplishments and contributions.

IN MEMORY OF CLARENCE  
ROBERTS JOHNSON**HON. BRETT GUTHRIE**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. GUTHRIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Clarence Roberts Johnson. The New Haven, KY, native was elected mayor in 2010 and held that post until he passed away on August 28, 2014.

A fixture in his community, "Bobby" wore many hats throughout his career. He was a licensed barber and a small business owner in the community. Bobby was committed to pro-

viding quality emergency services in Nelson County, both by establishing the Rolling Fork Fire Department and working to provide ambulance services. In addition, Bobby also served 18 years as the Police Chief in New Haven and was elected City Commissioner, serving two terms before becoming mayor.

It is easy to see that Bobby had an eye for public safety. When concerns of flood waters arose in New Haven, Bobby walked the banks of the river and ultimately saw that the river course had changed. This discovery, which he ultimately shared with my office and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, will lead to a safer community.

Bobby was always proud of living in New Haven and I know the city's residents were proud to call him their mayor. We will miss him and are thankful for his service.

YUMA COUNTY  
SESQUICENTENNIAL**HON. PAUL A. GOSAR**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the sesquicentennial of Yuma County, Arizona. Established in 1864 as one of the four original counties of the Territory of Arizona, Yuma County has been a cornerstone for Arizona commerce, agriculture, development, and culture throughout its history.

Celebrating 150 years since being formally organized, the area of Yuma County has a history which extends back much further. It is a history closely intertwined with the long and deep Colorado River which stretches along the county's western border. Not only did the Colorado bring the area's first European visitors—Spanish explorers who sailed up the river in 1540 and discovered a thriving Native American village on its banks—it also has served as the lifeblood for the region's commerce and agriculture.

Yuma County leads the state and is third in the nation for vegetable production. In fact, Yuma County is the "winter lettuce capital of the world" and supplies 90% of our country's lettuce between November and March. The County is also the world's top producer of gourmet Medjool dates.

Yuma County has influenced the culture and identity of Arizona and the United States: the gradual taming of the Colorado River which unlocked some of the world's best agricultural harvests, the famous Yuma Territorial Prison which housed some of the frontier's most nefarious criminals, and the booms and busts of bountiful ore and mineral mines that populated the desert. These are the stories of the Wild West that have shaped the independent and determined spirit of the County and its proud residents.

From its original Native American settlers to its Wild West days to its rich agricultural history, Yuma County's story is an integral part of the American identity. On November 10, 2014 we celebrate 150 years for Yuma County; let us look forward to 150 more.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DONALD  
R. FORD**HON. TIM RYAN**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. RYAN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember and honor the life of Donald R. Ford Sr., 83, who passed away on November 1st, 2014.

Donald was very active in community and youth programs throughout his lifetime. He earned his B.A. in 1953 from Bethany College, Cum Laude with Honors. While a student at Bethany College, he served as President of the Student Body and was elected Commander of his chapter of the Sigma Nu Fraternity. Donald continued his education at the University of Michigan Law School where he received his J.D. degree in 1956. While attending the University of Michigan Law School, he was a quarter finalist in the Campbell Moot Court competition and was a member of the Phi Alpha Delta Legal fraternity.

After completing his education, Donald continued to use his natural and proven leadership skills in the Warren community. For over fifteen years, Donald practiced law in Warren before assuming the position of Judge of the Warren Municipal Court in 1972. He was the first attorney and Judge from Trumbull County to serve on all four levels of the Ohio Judicial System, and also was Trumbull County's longest serving jurist for over 35 years. Apart from his service to the city of Warren, Donald was an assistant Professor at the Trumbull Branch of Kent State University, where he taught courses in criminal law and criminal evidence for over twenty-eight years. For his outstanding service and leadership, Donald received many distinguished awards including Trumbull County Democratic Man of the Year, Distinguished Citizen Award from the Warren Urban League, and Ohio Elks Hall of Fame Award.

Donald is survived by his wife of fifty-nine years Janet L. Ford; his son, John A. Ford; his daughter Leslie J. Ford; daughter Ann Ford and daughter-in-law Sharon Ford. He leaves seven grandchildren, Rory Ford, Devin Ford, Jaclyn Ford, Bryan Ford, David Ford, Zoe Crane and Cole Shepherd. He was preceded in death by his parents and son Donald R. Ford Jr. I am deeply saddened and I extend my condolences to his entire family. Trumbull County, the City of Warren, and the State of Ohio are much better places because of Donald's leadership and selfless contributions. He and his service will never be forgotten.

A TRIBUTE TO MARVIN  
SCHACHTER**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Marvin Schachter of Pasadena, California, upon receiving the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Southern California Bill of Rights Award.

Born on May 17, 1924, Marvin grew up in Brooklyn during the Great Depression as the

youngest of four children. The hard-hitting Great Depression years had enormous influence in determining Marvin's life direction. At the young age of 15, he became involved in student activism and joined the national board of the American Student Union, a progressive organization of college students known for its protests against militarism. In 1943, Marvin was drafted into the Army and served in military intelligence until February, 1946 when he was discharged. Shortly after his discharge, he received his bachelor's degree at Brooklyn College, married Doris Donnally and began his graduate work in economics at Columbia University. During this time, he was actively involved in the civil rights movement organizing marches and establishing statewide student organizations against segregationist laws. He completed his master's degree in economics at the University of Colorado, and in 1951, he was admitted as a graduate student at Cambridge University, England.

When Marvin returned to the United States as a trained economist, he wanted to pursue a career in academia, but was prevented from doing so due to unwarranted concern over his history of student activism. He became a market researcher for Hallicrafters, a company that specialized in constructing electronic equipment for the Air Force, but was let go when an executive learned of his activism in leftist organizations. This turn of events led Marvin to go into retail and merchandising.

In 1954, tragically, his wife Doris passed away. In 1956, Marvin met and married Esther Adler. The Schachters moved to Los Angeles for Marvin to take a job offer by the Mays Department Stores Company. At that time, Marvin joined the American Friends Service Committee in Pasadena and the ACLU's board of directors. He became president of the ACLU of Southern California, and served on the national board for 17 years. In the 1980s, Mr. Schachter hosted a weekly radio program on domestic and foreign policy issues on KPFFK, and became one of the founders of the Pasadena Weekly, for which he continues to write an occasional column. Marvin left a successful retail career to establish a real estate business, but continued his social and political work. He was the Vice Chair of the Interfaith Center to Reverse the Arms Race, a leader in the California nuclear freeze movement, and chaired a steering committee that organized and united California's disabled communities.

In the 1990s, Marvin expanded his volunteer service to include the senior community, serving as a Governor's appointee to the California Commission on Aging, chair of the Senior Advocacy Council of Pasadena, and President of the L.A. County Agency on Aging Advisory Council. Recently, he has worked with the International Criminal Court Alliance, the United Nations Association, the California Commission on Aging, and the Center for Healthcare Rights, among many other organizations. He is also documenting his life through the Pasadena Historical Society's Oral History Project. Marvin and Esther have two daughters, Pamela and Amanda, and two grandchildren, Emma and Max.

I ask that all Members of Congress please join me in recognizing the extraordinary lifetime contributions of Marvin Schachter, a true guardian of our civil liberties.

## NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAMS REAUTHORIZATION

SPEECH OF

**HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, November 12, 2014*

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my support for H.R. 5266, the reauthorization of the National Estuary Program (NEP).

The 33rd Congressional District, which I represent, includes the Santa Monica Bay, an estuary that includes some of the most iconic coastline in the nation. In 1988, the State of California and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) established the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project as a National Estuary Program under the Clean Water Act. Estuaries, protected and restored by funding from the National Estuary Program, are some of the most productive habitats on earth. Unfortunately, due to population growth across the coastline, these estuaries are increasingly under threat from pollution and environmental degradation.

Luckily, the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission (SMBRC) is working to protect its vital resources. Through an action plan called the Bay Restoration Plan, the Commission and its partners are working to improve the environmental health of the Santa Monica Bay and its surroundings by improving water quality, restoring damaged habitats and conserving natural and marine resources.

The reauthorization of the National Estuaries Program under H.R. 5266 is essential to helping safeguard the ecological and economic viability of our nation's estuaries. This legislation will direct more money to our nation's estuaries while reducing overall authorization levels by reducing administrative costs at EPA and designating money to National Estuary Programs.

Since 1987, the establishment of the National Estuaries Program has allowed us to identify and help preserve 28 different watersheds. These watersheds are essential to the future of our nation's coastlines. I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 5266 to protect our coastal ecology for generations to come.

## APPROVAL OF THE KEYSTONE XL PIPELINE

SPEECH OF

**HON. EARL BLUMENAUER**

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, November 14, 2014*

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, this is the eighth time that the House has voted to approve Keystone and short circuit the review process, and I have opposed it each time. Continuing this pattern is not helpful or a good use of our time.

My position has long been clear: there is a legal and regulatory process that the Administration is currently following to determine if this pipeline is in the interest of the American people.

It is important to consider the environmental impact that this pipeline may have, including a potential direct increase in the energy-inten-

sive extraction of tar sands oil. It is also important to consider the impacts to local communities where this pipeline would be built as well as threats to the water supply. Oil from the tar sands continues to reach American refineries.

We should do the analysis of this pipeline right, and wait for it to finish. Most importantly, we should focus on long-term, sustainable solutions to meet our nation's future energy needs, lower our carbon emissions and make our communities more resilient to a changing climate.

If I had been present for the vote, I would have voted no.

## IN TRIBUTE TO 1SG. GERALD B. WRIGHT (RET.) ON HIS INDUC- TION INTO THE CONNECTICUT VETERANS HALL OF FAME

**HON. JOE COURTNEY**

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, in America's veterans we regularly see many of the most prized attributes of American spirit. Our men and women in uniform are frequently called upon to create innovative solutions to complex problems in the most dangerous of environments. Through such harrowing experiences, our veterans develop skills and knowledge that frequently lead them to find new ways to continue serving and supporting their communities long after they take off the uniform. Few exemplify these qualities more than First Sergeant Gerald B. Wright (Ret.), who will be inducted into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame next week.

I have known Gerry for over 15 years, during which time I have witnessed his dedication to service both in and out of uniform. A tireless advocate for service members, their families and veterans from all branches and components of our Armed Forces, Gerry's advocacy and devotion to those who have served demonstrates the qualities that make him a revered member of his community, state and nation.

Gerry first enlisted in the U.S. Army in October 1968, and was deployed to Vietnam less than a year later. He served with the 19th Combat Engineers Battalion, 18th Engineering Brigade where he was responsible for road work, mine sweeps, security, and reconnaissance. In 1970, he was attached to the Seventh Special Forces Group, before returning to the United States to attend Pathfinder School, becoming an expert in land navigation.

After completing his second tour in November 1971, Gerry retired from active duty and returned to Connecticut to start his family and found his own business. Still fulfilling the call to serve, Gerry joined the Connecticut Army National Guard, with whom he would serve for 17½ additional years, during which he was part of Operation Desert Storm, and also led soldiers from Connecticut to Southern California to assist in constructing fencing and obstacles at our nation's border. There, he was commended by his commander for being the first rotation to not have a single heat or accident casualty due to the extreme temperatures of the region.

Gerry's care for his comrades and brothers-in-arms has not shown the slightest signs of

fading since his retirement from the National Guard in 1999. Gerry has consistently supported his fellow service members by storing the possessions of deploying soldiers, repairing and donating vehicles to veterans unable to afford their own, or helping place transitioning soldiers in civilian jobs, sometimes at his own business. Since 9/11, Gerry has been a regular, consistent attendee at "Send Off" and "Welcome Home" events at the Hartford Armory for Connecticut National Guard units deployed to the Middle East. In August of 2010, Gerry also completed the grueling "Legacy Run to Reno", a fundraiser to benefit military children who lost a parent in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Gerry is an invaluable asset to eastern Connecticut's veteran community, and a shining example of every honorable quality we see in our service members. Next week, he will be inducted into the Connecticut Veterans Hall of Fame—the latest in a long list of honors and awards for which he is more than deserving.

#### CONGRATULATING EHCMA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

#### HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the East Harris County Manufacturers Association (EHCMA) Workforce Development Committee for being awarded the Visionary Award from the Economic Alliance Houston Port Region Board of Directors.

This award honors individuals and organizations whose work on key regional issues has expanded economic and social opportunity in our community. The Workforce Development Committee has raised \$100,000 in scholarship funds for Lee College and San Jacinto College. These scholarships will help train tomorrow's petrochemical and manufacturing leaders. Strong investment in the future of these industries creates opportunity and prosperity that will benefit the entire American economy in the long run.

I thank the Workforce Development Committee for their investment in our community that supports future opportunities for so many businesses and families. On behalf of the residents of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations to the EHCMA Workforce Development Committee for receiving the Economic Alliance's Visionary Award.

#### CONGRATULATING JESSICA RIVKA CHERRY AND DANIEL JOSEPH CHAVIN ON THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THEIR WEDDING

#### HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, my esteemed colleagues, please join me in recognizing Miss Jessica Rivka Cherry and Mr. Daniel Joseph Chavin, as they celebrate their dedication to each other and to their future together.

Jessica and Daniel celebrated their commitment to each other on Sunday, November 16, 2014, in the greatest city in America, my hometown, Chicago, IL.

It is with great excitement and anticipation that both families share in the happiness of this union. Their commitment to each other is one to be celebrated and commended and one in which I offer my congratulations and wish them the best as they begin their new life together.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF ARTHUR J. HILL

#### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my friend Arthur J. Hill, who passed away on November 4, 2014 at the age of 99. Arthur was a successful businessman, war hero, and community volunteer who made his community and country a better place through his dedication to his service.

Arthur was born in Coos Bay, Oregon where he attended local schools, and then continued on to study engineering at the University of Oregon. Shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor, at the age of 27 he volunteered for the U.S. Army and was assigned to the 146th Engineers Battalion as the Headquarters Company Commander, which is a position that he kept until the end of the Second World War when he retired with the rank of Captain.

During his campaign in World War II, Arthur worked tirelessly for the U.S. Army. Arthur's battalion built and operated an assault training center consisting of exact duplications of German fortifications, which was replicated from secret aerial reconnaissance photos of the Normandy landing beaches. He also participated in four additional European Campaigns in Northern France, Ardennes and Alsace, the Rhineland, and Central Europe.

In recognition of his efforts in training 65 civil engineers to assist in the reconstruction of the town of Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, the Czech Government awarded Arthur the Czech Military Medal. He was also awarded the Czech Presidential Medal on the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Czechoslovakia, and was chosen as the recipient of the first annual "Hero of the Valley Award," which is given to a distinguished military veteran in the San Joaquin Valley.

Upon returning home from serving our country, Art met and married his wife, Betty Jane "BJ"; the couple enjoyed over 50 years of happy marriage until she passed away in 1998. After the war, Arthur went on to work in the oil industry until 1980, when he retired as president of Hill Oil Company. He then worked at the Veterans Memorial Museum from 1992 until 2011 where he served as Director for ten years. The Veterans Memorial Museum is considered by many to be one of the finest military museums in the country. Art was also a member of the Fresno Rotary Club for over 50 years and was Commander of the American Legion in Fresno.

Arthur loved to spend time with veterans, and cared for them so much that in 2010, he established the "Veterans of the Central Valley Fund" at the Fresno Regional Foundation.

This fund supports the Veterans Memorial Museum and other projects benefitting veterans. Apart from serving the community, Arthur and his wife Betty Jane loved to spend their time traveling the world. Arthur is survived by his son Brad and his wife Audrey, and their daughter Carly and her husband Keith Berry.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO SHAISTA MAHMOOD

#### HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the birthday of a great Virginian, an 8th District constituent and my dear friend, Shaista Mahmood.

It's been decades since Shaista first came to our country from Pakistan with her new husband Rafat (Ray), her commitment to her adopted home is matched by none. All throughout Northern Virginia, life is improving thanks to the work of the Mahmoods. From their humble beginnings starting at the age of 23 with their first business in the Del Ray neighborhood of Alexandria, they've been important members of the small business community in the 8th District.

But it has been Shaista's charitable work for causes around the world that is most profound. In fact, the organizations to which she has devoted her time are too numerous to list. Whether it's supporting children recovering from life in war-torn regions of our globe at Seeds of Peace or securing positive change for women as worldwide economic drivers at Vital Voices, Shaista's commitment to making a difference in the lives of women and children is unmatched.

I've been honored to share this commitment to so many of these causes, but none more so than her devotion to improving women's and children's rights around the globe. Hers has been a silent hand at the wheel driving forces for change all around the globe, demanding equal rights for the many who are treated unjustly as a matter of course and tradition every day.

These are the very issues that have inspired so many of us to devote decades of our life to public service. But while we are welcomed and honored in DC and throughout the country as public servants, Shaista asks for no such recognition. She is proud to let her good work stand as testament alone to the countless hours of commitment she has spent advancing these global issues.

Since we first met years ago, thanks in small part to her delicious Pakistani cooking, the roots she has planted in Northern Virginia are deep and wide. Along with Ray, Shaista has opened her home to countless organizations, including elected officials at every level from across the political spectrum. We are all fortunate to call Shaista our friend, and for many, our inspiration.

Mr. Speaker, please join with me today in celebrating Shaista's commitment to making this world a better place all within it. I'm honored to call her a constituent and even more honored to call her a friend.

CONGRATULATING THE NATIONAL  
LOW INCOME HOUSING COALITION  
ON ITS 40TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. MAXINE WATERS**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the National Low Income Housing Coalition, or "NLIHC," on its 40th Anniversary.

NLIHC is the only national advocacy organization solely focused on the housing needs of extremely low income households—that is, households with incomes at or below 30 percent of the area median income.

While numerous organizations concentrate on federal housing policy, NLIHC is unique because of its sole focus on the needs of extremely low income people, the only population experiencing an absolute shortage of affordable housing. NLIHC remains firm to its mission, even at times when doing so is not popular.

Since its inception, NLIHC has been a leader in the effort to address the housing needs of those with the lowest incomes. From the time that Cushing N. Dolbeare founded the Ad Hoc Low Income Housing Coalition, a predecessor to NLIHC, the organization has worked to better educate constituents about when and how to make their voices heard.

Ms. Dolbeare authored or co-authored dozens of articles, books and reports, most notably a widely-cited annual report on the gap between housing costs and the wages of low income people. This publication continues to be relied upon on Capitol Hill, and the data included in it are instrumental in making the case for continued federal support for housing programs that reach those in our society with the very lowest incomes.

NLIHC has found through its research that for every 100 extremely low income renter households, there are only 31 affordable and available units. This shortage worsens every year and exists in every state in the country. The need is particularly acute given current funding for HUD programs, which is only enough to reach one in four eligible households. Households who cannot get assistance, even though they are eligible, must spend the majority of their meager incomes on housing, leaving very little for other expenses. Often, something like a medical emergency or job loss leaves a household at risk of experiencing homelessness or another unstable housing situation.

To address the housing shortage, NLIHC's most notable achievement to date has been its work towards creating a National Housing Trust Fund in 2008. The NHTF was initially to be funded by contributions from Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. The contributions were temporarily suspended in 2008 at the height of the financial crisis. The Trust Fund, once it is capitalized, will provide the largest investment in over 40 years for the production, preservation, and rehabilitation of affordable housing for extremely low income households. It would jumpstart construction in our communities—providing both jobs and sustainable housing opportunities to moderate and low-income people.

I have been eager to see the Housing Trust Fund funded, and I call on my colleagues to find additional sources of funding from outside

of the appropriations process, to capitalize it. The NHTF, funded to scale, is the most promising way for our nation to end the affordable housing shortage which exists in every state in the country, and advance on the progress we are already making as a country towards ending homelessness.

In addition, NLIHC has been a leading voice in assuring that the rights of renters and extremely low income households are protected as Congress addressed foreclosures.

With hundreds of members across the country, and consistently incisive research and policy analysis, NLIHC is a respected voice in Washington, D.C. that has helped produce policies impacting the lives of millions. I congratulate NLIHC on its 40th Anniversary, and I look forward to working with NLIHC in the future to address the housing needs of the very poorest Americans. There is a lot of work that remains to be done, but I have no doubt that with NLIHC as a partner, we are up to the task.

PRESIDENTIAL PARDON FOR JOHN  
KIRIAKOU

**HON. JAMES P. MORAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask for a Presidential pardon for John Kiriakou. Mr. Kiriakou is an American hero. A 15 year CIA veteran, he was decorated and recognized more than a dozen times for his outstanding work in the always-demanding intelligence world, served in dangerous Middle East posts and helped lead the team in Pakistan that captured our first high value Al Qaeda target during the biggest coordinated operation in Agency counter-terrorism history.

John Kiriakou is also a devoted family man to his wife and five children, a church-going member of the Greek-American community, a best-selling author and a serious-minded former Congressional foreign policy aide.

John Kiriakou is a whistleblower, as well. The first American intelligence officer to officially and on-record reveal that the U.S. was in the torture business as a matter of White House policy under President Bush. In confirming what the American media and policymakers were hearing whispered—that waterboarding and other enhanced interrogation techniques were a matter of standard military and intelligence procedures—he helped begin an intense and overdue debate over whether torture violated international law, tarnished our higher American principles and undermined the critical need for reliable, actionable information.

And John Kiriakou is a convicted felon, serving a 2½ year plea bargained sentence in a Pennsylvania federal prison. The charge against him is violating the Intelligence Identities Protection Act, whereby John answered a question from a U.S. reporter who was duplicitously fronting for lawyers defending Al Qaeda prisoners held at Guantanamo Bay and in the process unintentionally confirmed the classified identity of a CIA colleague. A colleague who, by the way, was being erroneously labeled as an enhanced interrogation techniques torturer.

All four of these realities about John are intertwined. He is not a spy nor a turncoat, he

did not sell secrets to an enemy or act to hurt U.S. national security. But John did shine a critical spotlight on a CIA practice that many wanted kept in the shadows and he did challenge the authority of those who authorized, oversaw, and encouraged the use of waterboarding and other acts of torture. And he did this with the moral authority of someone who served inside the intelligence world, refused an invitation to be trained in waterboarding and other like methods, knew and loved the rank-and-file men and women who sacrifice family life, safety, and prosperity for the mission of gathering and assessing secrets that might threaten American interests and lives.

The real issue here is the extremely selective prosecution of John and the ongoing efforts to intimidate him from talking about our intelligence community's misfires. Even former CIA Director Leon Panetta now concedes he accidentally revealed classified information to the writer of Zero Dark Thirty, but faces no legal ramifications. Jose Rodriguez, the CIA's former head of the Clandestine Service, admits to deciding without any legal authorization to erase videotapes of torture sessions so they could never be used in U.S. courts, but has never been forced to answer for this destruction of evidence.

Whatever John's misdeeds—and he admits that answering that reporter's questions was ill-advised and naïve—he has more than paid for them. After fifteen years of service to his country, the personal risks and costs of a life in the intelligence world, the legal double-standard applied, and now two years in prison John Kiriakou deserves a Presidential pardon so his record can be cleared, just as this country is trying to heal from a dark chapter in its history.

HONORING ALFONSO J. ORTIZ

**HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM**

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Alfonso J. Ortiz, a devoted husband, loving father and proud New Mexican.

Alfonso's New Mexico roots run deep—he is a direct descendant of a Conquistador during the time of Diego De Vargas who served as Spanish governor for the New Spain territory of Santa Fe de Nuevo México. Alfonso would carry on this legacy. From the beginning, Alfonso displayed an impassioned sense of duty, pride and commitment to those he loved, his community and our country. At 17 years old, Alfonso proudly enlisted in the United States Army serving with honor and distinction in World War II.

Alfonso would embark on a 30 year career as a Civil Service Employee with the United States Post Office (USPS). Starting out as a Rural Route Letter Carrier, Alfonso ascended through the ranks and at one point supervised all the mail carriers in Santa Fe. Alfonso was a man of great integrity and revered by his employees. Whenever a letter carrier passed by, they would remind his children of what a wonderful boss he was; they would do anything in the world for him because they knew he never asked of them anything he would not do himself.

After World War II, Alfonzo returned to New Mexico to marry the love of his life Anne Rodriguez. They would live out their life together in Santa Fe, New Mexico with their 6 children and 8 grandchildren. Alfonso's unconditional and everlasting love for his family was boundless and when his wife Anne developed cancer he was her main caregiver, always at her side, even as she drew her last breath.

Alfonso represents the best of our country—kindness toward others, respect for everyone and limitless love. He lived his life with ardor, zeal and enterprise; striving to create a better life for his family and community. Alfonso is a spectacular new Mexican who moved and inspired individuals not with rhetoric but through actions, leading by example. Today, Alfonso is not with us but his legacy and lessons will endure in all those he met. May the memory of Alfonso live on in our hearts.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, on November 14, 2014 I travelled to El Salvador to commemorate the assassination of six Jesuit priests 25 years ago. As a result, I was absent for rollcall votes 518 and 519. If I were present, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall 518 and "no" on rollcall 519.

#### THE 85TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

### HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Daughters of Penelope, who for 85 years have been working to improve the status and well-being of women and their families in this country and around the world.

By promoting the ideals of ancient Greece including civic engagement and good citizenship through community service and philanthropy, the Daughters of Penelope have helped to raise awareness for a number of civic and humanitarian causes.

From its financial support for breast cancer research to its assistance to victims and communities affected by natural disasters to its work in support of affordable and dignified housing for this nation's senior citizens, the members of the Daughters of Penelope have answered the call of those in need for more than a half century.

So it is with great appreciation that I rise to recognize the work and members of the Daughters of Penelope for their commitment to volunteerism, for their charity and for all they have done over these many years to advance the standing of women around the world.

#### CONGRATULATING EAGLE SCOUT BARON RYAN

### HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Eagle Scout Baron Ryan on earning all 139 Merit Badges possible during his time in the Boy Scouts.

This feat is even more remarkable since only 242 boys out of the 110 million Boy Scouts who have ever been involved in Boy Scouts have earned every Merit Badge possible. Even then, because the Boy Scouts reissued 4 additional historical Merit Badges in 2010 to celebrate the organization's 100th anniversary, Baron earned a total number of Merit Badges that only a handful of Boys Scouts in all of scouting history have accomplished.

But Scouting is not only about achieving Merit Badges. In his time as a Scout, Baron has completed hours upon hours of service to his community through projects such as collecting food for Least of These during Scouting for Food, playing his bugle for numerous Veterans Day and Memorial Day ceremonies, cleaning up area rivers, serving our nation's veterans at VFW and American Legion events, and volunteering with charities such as Lost and Found, which serves children and teens in the Missouri Ozarks who are grieving due to the loss of a parent.

Aside from the time Baron dedicated to his community, he also dedicated himself and his time to his troop. During his time as a Boy Scout, Baron held many important leadership roles, including troop guide, instructor, historian, and chaplain's aide among others. As a Scout, Baron has also spent approximately 150 nights camping with his troop, including participating in high adventure crews at the Boy Scouts' Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, Sea Base in the Florida Keys, and Northern Tier in Minnesota, all of which ultimately earned him the Boy Scouts' coveted Triple Crown award.

As if his accomplishments do not already seem vast, for his Eagle Project, Baron produced a 1,022 page book called Lamonga, River of the Seven Spirits that was ultimately donated free of cost to hundreds of Missouri schools and libraries.

I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating Baron on all that he has accomplished and wish him well in his future endeavors.

#### NOVEMBER 15TH MARKED BEGINNING OF OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR QUALITY, AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE

### HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, this Saturday, November 15th was a big day for all of us. November 15th marked the beginning of open enrollment for quality, affordable health care for millions of Americans.

Because health care should be a right, not a privilege. We need to continue moving our

communities from a culture of coping to a culture of coverage.

This Saturday, alongside Executive Director of Covered California Mr. Peter Lee, I relaunched my "Enroll OC" or "Inscribe HOY" initiative to connect Orange County residents with certified, in-person, bilingual health insurance enrollment services.

Despite some bumps along the road last year, Orange County surpassed enrollment expectations by almost three-hundred percent, enrolling over 131,000 people, including more than 2,000 folks who were helped by "Enroll OC."

And believe me, we will do it again. In fact, we have to do it again.

We enrolled one million Californians and cut our uninsured rate in half—the Affordable Care Act is working. It's time to stop repealing and start enrolling and I hope all of my colleagues, from both sides of the aisle, will join our effort.

Let's commit to ready, set, enroll.

#### REMEMBERING TERRENCE P. ALLEN

### HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember and honor the life of an important and respected member of the Chicago community, Terrence P. Allen, who recently passed away at the young age of 54. Terry Allen has been a long and outstanding activist for the middle-class, guiding him through a long and distinguished career fighting for workers. Terry passed away on November 11, 2014 after heroically battling cancer.

Terry served for decades as a dedicated leader of working people, taking over the city's largest electrical workers union in 2011 as the Business Manager for International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 134. In this role, Terry represented thousands of Chicagoland workers with great distinction. As distinguished as he was on behalf of workers, Terry made many other contributions to the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago for which we are all grateful.

Terry's top priority was always his family and the love and support they provided was most important in his life. He married the love of his life, Jean Conrick, and together they raised 3 children; Billy, Amanda and Michael. Terry was the youngest of 8 children born to Thomas and Irene Allen. His loving family included his siblings Barbara (John) Wiemhoff, Nancy (Hon. Tim) Cullerton, Honorable Tom (Jan), Jim (Lin), Tim (Mary), Dan (Sue) and his twin brother, Pat (Laura), along with his wife's family; parents, Bill and Camille Conrick, Mary Ann (Dan) Jordan, Bill Conrick, Joanne (Dan) Lynch, Tom Conrick, and Cathy (Jay) Ek. Uncle and Great Uncle Terry will be fondly remembered by his 46 nieces and nephews.

Mr. Speaker, Terrence Allen was an inspiration to all who knew him. I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering him for his tireless service and dedication. I join his family, friends and IBEW Local 134 to honor his legacy, celebrate his life and remember his illustrious contributions to the State of Illinois and the City of Chicago. I wish to express my deepest condolences to his family, and may God bless the

Allen/Conrick family and the memory of a man who was truly loved by his family, his friends, and his community.

RECOGNIZING MR. HARRY H. CROHE

**HON. MICHAEL G. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I proudly recognize the dedicated service of Harry H. Crohe and his commitment to safety and security as the Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator and Training Officer of the Bucks County Emergency Management Agency. Harry Crohe has honorably served for the last 16 years during a period of the Agency's expansion and growth. In addition, he has a long history of volunteer service in his Bristol Borough community, having served for more than 50 years as a volunteer and officer with the Bucks County Rescue Squad and the American Hose Hook and Ladder. No. 2, where he continues to serve. Harry Crohe is an outstanding example of the dedication of Bucks County citizens and employees who are counted within the ranks of first responders. I gratefully acknowledge his leadership and service on behalf of the County of Bucks and his remarkable spirit of volunteerism and wish him a bright and healthy future.

EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO H.R. 4, THE JOBS FOR AMERICA ACT

**HON. HENRY A. WAXMAN**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong opposition to H.R. 4, the Jobs for America Act. H.R. 4 is not a new bill to be considered on the House floor. It is a compilation of bills, many of which have already been passed by Republicans on a partisan basis. Republicans claim the bill would create jobs and strengthen the economy. In reality, H.R. 4 would weaken meaningful reforms and regulations that protect American consumers, families and workers. In addition, the bill would add \$574 billion to the deficit. This bill does a disservice to the American people, the future of our economy and our environment.

H.R. 4 would impose numerous administrative hurdles that would degrade the regulatory process. Agencies would be required to conduct cost-benefit analyses and could be forced to adopt rules that are the least costly, not necessarily the most beneficial. Agencies would also have to calculate often unquantifiable effects of rules on small businesses, another costly and unnecessary use of time and resources. To further delay the rulemaking process, H.R. 4 would require agencies to submit rules to the Office of Management and Budget for review, post rules online for at least six months and seek approval from both the House and Senate before the rules may take effect. Requiring congressional approval on all major rules would allow members of Congress to prevent finalization of rules that have already received extensive public input.

A real life example can help demonstrate the impact of H.R. 4. Congress passed the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) in 2010 to improve the ability of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to police the food supply and protect consumers from dangerous contaminants. Foods we never would have imagined to be unsafe, from spinach to peanut butter, have harmed thousands of Americans. FDA has been working hard to comply with the mandate of the new law and is in the process of finalizing a number of rules that would implement some of the key pieces of the food safety legislation. The administrative hurdles that H.R. 4 establishes would severely delay the implementation of these rules, putting Americans at risk of foodborne illnesses, despite the law's obvious merits and public support.

Furthermore, H.R. 4 would undermine existing regulations and laws. The measure would limit the ability of citizens to hold agencies accountable for not adequately fulfilling their regulatory obligations. It would exempt private equity fund advisors from important disclosure requirements, jeopardizing the financial system and protections for investors and the public. The bill would threaten existing public land and environmental regulations by allowing increased logging in national forests. It would weaken the employer-sponsored insurance system and hurt American workers by increasing the definition of full-time work week under the Affordable Care Act from 30 hours a week to 40 hours a week. There is simply no evidence that the ACA has led to a shift in part-time work. In fact, since the ACA became law, we have added more than nine million private sector jobs and expanded health insurance coverage through the marketplaces to more than eight million Americans.

Today, the Republican majority brings to the floor a package of bills that have already passed the House and been rejected by the Senate. H.R. 4 would inhibit the ability of federal regulatory agencies to issue necessary health, safety, environmental and financial regulations. The measure does nothing to improve the economy, create jobs or protect Americans; it does everything to threaten the progress we have already made.

I oppose H.R. 4 and I urge my colleagues do the same.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$17,941,406,575,143.38. We've added \$7,314,529,526,230.30 to our debt in 5 years. This is over \$7.3 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

CONGRATULATING LUKE MAYOCK

**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Luke Mayock for being named the Football Scholar-Athlete of the Year by the Touchdown Club of Houston. Mayock is a senior at Clements High School in my hometown of Sugar Land, Texas. This award recognizes Mayock's academic and athletic achievements.

He is among an elite group of high school athletes. In 2014, he recorded 50 receptions, 647 yards and five touchdowns in addition to serving as the team's punt returner and place-kicker. Mayock has also been recognized for his academic strength in English and math. He also coaches a youth league basketball team and supports his church's international retreats to assist underdeveloped communities.

On behalf of the residents of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Luke Mayock for receiving the 2014 Football Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award. We look forward to his continued success both on and off the field.

REMINDING AMERICANS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS AND CELEBRATING COMMUNITY FOUNDATION WEEK

**HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, community foundations epitomize the philanthropic culture of the United States. Established in 1989, Community Foundation Week takes place from November 12–18th annually and honors the tremendous contributions of community foundations across our country. They hold a unique place in American society and provide hope and opportunity to millions of Americans. One hundred years ago, the world's first community foundation was established in Cleveland, Ohio. Since then more than 700 community foundations have been created in America inspiring millions of Americans to give back to this great country with their time, talent and treasure.

Today, I would like to recognize the work of Indiana's community foundations that operate under the definitions supported by the National Standards for Community Foundations. Indiana is blessed to have a community foundation in every county, including nine in my district: Community Foundation of Howard County; Community Foundation of Grant County; Blackford County Community Foundation; Tipton County Community Foundation; Madison County Community Foundation; South Madison County Community Foundation; Legacy Fund; Community Foundation of Boone County; and The Indianapolis Foundation.

These foundations are a model for how philanthropy can inspire communities to come together in support of a common cause. The Legacy Fund, the community foundation serving Hamilton County and an affiliate of Central



Indiana Community Foundation, is helping to meet the needs of at-risk students in the county through the Youth Assistance Program (YAP). This innovative program is serving as a critical connector to keep students and their families on the right track. In collaboration with the county judicial system, schools, youth programs, law enforcement, and city leaders, students displaying negative behavior or facing a challenging situation at home or school are referred to YAP. The program in turn connects students to appropriate programs, classes, mentoring relationships, emergency supports, or counseling services, and families may be referred to services as well. All of this leads to an ultimate goal of self-sufficiency for families and keeping youth out of the judicial system at a young age.

This is just one example of the extraordinary work of place-based philanthropy in local communities throughout the country. The spirit of generosity embodied by over 700 U.S.-based community foundations is a core American value. This week, I am honored to recognize these community foundations for their outstanding efforts.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JERRY "JR" MCBRIDE

**HON. PETER J. ROSKAM**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. ROSKAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Jerry "JR" McBride, husband, father, and dedicated public servant.

JR McBride, who represented District 4 on the DuPage County Board, died October 24, 2014 after a long battle with cancer. He was just 47 years old. JR was the perfect definition of a public servant; dedicated to his constituents, above partisan politics, and devoted to doing the right thing for his community. He was chairman of the board's legislative committee and previously chaired the judicial and public safety, public transit, and technology committees.

He was extremely generous with his time and valued his community service. JR was actively involved in various organizations, such as the Metropolitan Family Services of DuPage, Rotary Club, DuPage Chapter of the American Cancer Society, and the Glenbard West High School Booster Club. He was also a founding member of the Jubilee Board which raised funds for Outreach Community Ministries in Wheaton, IL. In short, he was always looking for ways to help improve the communities he served.

JR graduated from Fenwick High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Loras College in Iowa. After graduation he joined his family's business, McBride Insurance Company. He eventually moved to Glen Ellyn in 1992.

Mr. Speaker, and Distinguished Colleagues, JR McBride was a man who understood well his duty to family and community. He is survived by his wife, Becky; four daughters, Lauren, Molly, Abigail and Sara; a son, Marty; his father, Jerry Sr.; two sisters, Kara Brophy and Joy Gibson; and a brother, Bill. Please join me in remembering him as a shining example of how a caring, committed public servant can make a positive difference in the lives of others.

HAPPY 90TH ANNIVERSARY TO  
THE FLEET RESERVE ASSOCIATION

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, November 11th marks the 90th anniversary of the Fleet Reserve Association (FRA). On this day, we should not only honor our veterans for their service and sacrifice, but also honor the FRA for their unwavering commitment to support the needs of our active duty, Reserves, and retired military members, veterans and family members of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard.

Founded by Navy Chief Yeoman George L. Carlin and chartered in 1924, the FRA is one of the oldest and largest enlisted organizations and a founding member of The Military Coalition. Its mission has been to serve as the premier "watch dog" group in maintaining and improving the quality of life for Sea Service personnel and their families.

As a veteran myself, I wish to express my immense gratitude for the hard work and dedication of the Fleet Reserve Association and their outgoing National President, Mr. Virgil P. Courneya and incoming National President, Mr. John Ippert.

Consistent with their motto, "loyalty, protection and service", for nearly nine decades, commitment to their members resulted in legislation enhancing quality of life programs while protecting rights and privileges.

#### RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF LARRY D. MORSE

**HON. JIM COSTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in memory of Larry D. Morse, who passed away on October 28, 2014, at the age of 87. Larry was the founder of Morse, Morse & Morse law firm, and he was a longtime resident of Merced. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather, who cherished time with his family above all else. Larry was dutifully active and civically engaged in Merced as a Rotarian for more than 50 years, and he was a member on the board of directors of Merco Credit Union, the Merced College Foundation Board, and Merced Boosters.

While attending Hollywood High School in the 1940s, Larry began working as an usher for NBC Studios in Hollywood and was later promoted to supervisor. It was at NBC Studios where Larry met a new employee, Saranne Condon. Larry and Saranne would go on to spend the next 70 years in a romantic, loving, and nurturing relationship. After his time at NBC Studios, Larry attended Southwestern School of Law in Los Angeles and later began his successful career as an attorney and founder of the law firm Morse, Michelizzi & Wright in Lancaster, California. In 1973, Larry was appointed to the Los Angeles County Municipal Court Bench by Governor Ronald Reagan. After serving on the bench, Larry and his family relocated in 1977 to Merced, where

Larry began working at Allen, Van Winkle & Ivey law firm.

Larry adored his wife Saranne and their six children. Together, Larry and Saranne placed their children's education above all else, opting to send their children out of state for college so that they could experience life outside of California.

After his sons, Neil and Brian, graduated from law school, they united with their father to found the law firm Morse, Morse & Morse, located in Merced's historic Virginia Smith home. Practicing law with his sons was an immense source of pride for Larry.

Larry is survived by his beloved wife Saranne and the wonderful family they built with their life together.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Larry D. Morse. Throughout his life and career, Larry maintained an outstanding character and a commitment to his community. He will be greatly missed by many.

#### CELEBRATING THE VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK CENTENNIAL

**HON. MIKE QUIGLEY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Village of Elmwood Park as they celebrate their Centennial. The historic election held on April 8, 1914, established Elmwood Park as an official village and was the catalyst to the village's remarkable transformation.

Thanks to the vision of Mr. John Mills, a Chicago area developer, the 1927 Westwood subdivision in Elmwood Park became one of the early "planned communities" in our nation. Mr. Mills' Westwood project was the largest residential program of its kind ever attempted in the State of Illinois. The \$25 million building program provided paved streets, sewers, sidewalks and plans for 1,679 bungalows spread over 245 acres in Elmwood Park.

Due to the ambitious project, the population increased over 700 percent growing from 1,380 to 11,270 people by 1930, making Elmwood Park the sixth fastest growing community in the nation at that time.

The Honorable Elmer W. Conti was elected Village President in 1953. Under his guidance, Elmwood Park was recognized for honorable mention in the All-American awards in 1954, 1955, and 1958 for its village administration, financial stability, citizen involvement and progress in education. Village President Conti served for 32 years, retiring in 1985.

In the last 25 years the Village of Elmwood Park has had outstanding leaders. Honorable Peter N. Silvestri served as Village President from 1989 to 2013 and the current Village President, Honorable Angelo "Skip" Saviano, elected in 2013.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the Centennial of the Village of Elmwood Park. I am truly honored to have such an outstanding community in my district.



CONGRATULATING PATRICE WALKER POWELL UPON HER RETIREMENT FROM THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT OF THE ARTS

## HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of a dedicated public servant, Patrice Walker Powell of the National Endowment of the Arts (NEA). Over her 23 years of service at the NEA, Ms. Powell has worked to broaden and deepen the NEA's reach with diverse and underserved communities across the nation.

At the outset of Ms. Powell's career at the NEA, she was charged with leading their Education and Access Department at the same time that the institution experienced significant cuts to its operational budget, forcing the agency to run with reduced resources. Ms. Powell successfully engaged the philanthropic community to develop bridge funding and protect multidisciplinary art centers that were cultural anchors in communities across the nation.

Ms. Powell developed the Arts REACH program, designed to work with each state arts agency to hold staff-led public seminars on NEA funding opportunities and work with state partners to determine potential applicants for grants. Over a three-year commitment to this program, Ms. Powell's efforts resulted in an overall 350% increase in NEA-supported projects in states that previously received direct NEA grants.

During her tenure at the NEA, Ms. Powell has been the point person for the agency's response to natural disasters across the country. Appointed to the National Coalition on Disaster Planning and Preparedness, an association of public and private funders and national cultural services organizations, Ms. Powell led agency efforts to work with state, regional, and local arts agencies decimated by natural disasters—most notably Hurricane Katrina. Ms. Powell worked to get necessary funding to areas stricken by disaster, and to ensure that Federal grant funding was properly utilized to preserve cultural treasures.

Ms. Powell's leadership at the NEA demonstrates her commitment to public service and dedication to advancing the arts to people and communities across the country. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and thanking Ms. Powell for her service and wishing her a happy, healthy retirement.

A TRIBUTE TO JOEL AND KIT  
McNALLY

## HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise on this occasion to congratulate Joel and Kit McNally, recipients of the 2014 James Howard Baker Award, established by the Milwaukee Community Brainstorming Conference. Joel and Kit McNally, having been married for more than 45 years, met while attending Indiana University where they both wrote for the college paper.

Kit McNally retired after providing 23 years of distinguished service as Chief Executive Officer of the Benedict Center, a non-profit, interfaith criminal justice agency that advocates for positive change in the criminal justice system. The Center initiated many programs under her watch, including the gender-responsive Women's Harm Reduction Program, utilized by both the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office and Milwaukee County judges as a diversion from prison program. Further, under her direction, the Benedict Center was a statewide leader in drafting a model Community Justice Act for Wisconsin designed to return money to local communities that reduced state incarceration costs through implementation of effective treatment and diversion programs. She has served on various national and local boards, committees and commissions and continues to serve as the citizen representative on the Executive Committee of the Milwaukee Community Justice Council which is comprised of top leaders on criminal justice issues in Milwaukee County.

Joel McNally is a national-award-winning Wisconsin journalist based in Milwaukee. Joel worked as a reporter, feature writer and satirical columnist at the Milwaukee Journal for 27 years. While at the Milwaukee Journal, his column was nominated for the Pulitzer Prize and he won a National Headliners Award for best local column. Joel is currently teaching at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and as a syndicated columnist, writes for the Capital Times, the Shepherd Express and other newspapers where he provides commentary on issues including racial and class inequities. He is also a television commentator on the weekly INTERchange Program providing the liberal point of view. Joel has served as a panelist at our local Community Brainstorming Forums. Community Brainstorming has met monthly as a breakfast forum to discuss and advance the interests of African Americans in particular and Milwaukee in general since 1986. Joel and Kit McNally are regular attendees at Community Brainstorming Forums.

Mister Speaker, for these reasons, I am honored to pay tribute to Joel and Kit McNally who both continue to fight for the rights of the poor, disenfranchised and African Americans without the expectation of monetary benefit or public accolades. I value their service and am proud to call them friends. They have contributed greatly to the citizens of the Fourth Congressional District, the State of Wisconsin and the nation.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN H.  
KREBS

## HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of my good friend and former Member of Congress, John H. Krebs. John passed away on November 10, 2014 at the age of 87.

John Krebs was an honorable man, and a community leader whose unwavering service will be greatly missed. In addition to his two terms in the U.S. Congress from 1975–1979, Mr. Krebs was a civic and Democratic Party leader in Fresno, an attorney in private prac-

tice for over 30 years, an apprentice diamond cutter during his youth in Tel Aviv, and served in the U.S. Army.

While in Congress, he was best known for his authorship and enactment of legislation incorporating the Mineral King Valley into Sequoia National Park, thwarting Disney developers who wanted to turn the wilderness area into a major ski resort. To recognize his accomplishment, in 2009, President Obama signed legislation establishing the John Krebs Wilderness Area, covering 40,000 acres within the Mineral King Valley.

John Krebs was born December 17, 1926, in Berlin. His parents fled Germany only a few months after Hitler came to power, and he was raised in Tel Aviv. In his teens, he embarked on a career as a diamond cutter and joined the Haganah, a Jewish underground organization opposing the British rule, while also preparing to attend college.

Mr. Krebs moved to the U.S. in 1946 to attend the University of California, Berkeley. He graduated in 1950 and became a U.S. citizen in 1952. Following his two years in the Army, he attended the University of California Hastings College of Law and passed the California Bar in 1957. For the next three decades, he practiced law with the Parichan law firm, specializing in civil defense litigation.

Politics beckoned, and Mr. Krebs became an activist and leader in Democratic politics, playing a key role in local and statewide campaigns. In March 1970, he was elected to the Fresno County Board of Supervisors, a post he held until his election to Congress in November, 1974. He was the first foreign-born congressman from California. In a 1978 interview, Mr. Krebs said: "It's a tremendous credit to our system. Here I can come to a community as an immigrant, really not knowing a soul, and 27 years later, I am elected to Congress."

He returned to Fresno after his tenure in Congress, and practiced law until his retirement. Mr. Krebs served on numerous boards and commissions, and was foreman of the Fresno County Grand Jury for two years. He and his wife enjoyed traveling, and relished visiting their grandchildren during the past 23 years. During his life, Mr. Krebs' high values, strong work ethic and caring for others have been an inspiration for his family and friends. His loving guidance as a husband, father and grandfather will be forever cherished.

Mr. Krebs is survived by his wife of 58 years, Hanna Krebs; his son Daniel Krebs of San Anselmo, California, daughter-in-law Susan and grandsons Clay and Peter; his daughter Karen Krebs Wood of New Canaan, Connecticut, son-in-law John and grandchildren Elizabeth, Caroline and Jack; and his 90 year old brother, Shlomo Krebs of Tel Aviv, his sons and extended family.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect that I ask my colleagues to join me paying tribute to the life of John H. Krebs. It has been a privilege to have known John. His children, relatives, and friends have an extraordinary role model that they will hold in their hearts forever. His presence will be greatly missed but his legacy will surely live through those who knew him.

## RECOGNIZING BRAD GOLDBERG

**HON. NITA M. LOWEY**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Brad Goldberg, who is being honored by the Humane Society of the United States for his dedication to the animal protection movement.

After a 35-year career in investment management in which Mr. Goldberg became senior vice president of Jennison Associates, a subsidiary of Prudential Financial, he retired to pursue his passion—animal welfare. Since 2001, Mr. Goldberg has run Animal Welfare Trust, an organization he founded, which works to increase grant-making and capacity building for animal welfare groups. He has devoted himself to this organization, which has been involved in numerous animal welfare related initiatives, including support for a Florida ballot measure outlawing gestation crates, as well as the New York Coalition for Healthy School Food, which advocates for a plant-based diet in schools.

Mr. Goldberg is also the Chair of HEART, a charity sponsored by Animal Welfare Trust that educates children to be compassionate and considerate of all living beings. As Chair of HEART, he has also given major gifts to support animal studies and animal law, and has funded fellowships for lawyers to work at nonprofits like the Humane Society. It is for this work in particular that Mr. Goldberg is being awarded the Compassion in Action Award by the Humane Society of the United States.

In his personal life, Mr. Goldberg is a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. Activism and volunteerism are priorities for Mr. Goldberg and his wife Sunny, and animal welfare is one of many causes to benefit from their devotion to community and the common good. I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring Brad Goldberg for his hard work and devotion to the animal protection movement and congratulate him for receiving the Compassion in Action Award.

WORLD DAY OF REMEMBRANCE  
FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS**HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims. Each year, observers use the day as a time to remember those who have lost their lives as a result of a road crash. It is also a time to recommit ourselves to the goal of changing behaviors that lead to driver accidents.

The theme of this year's observance is "Speed Kills." Each day around the world, more than 500 children are killed on the way to and from school because of the actions of unsafe drivers. Indeed, road crashes are the leading cause of death for people from ages 15 to 29. This annual World Day of Remembrance provides road traffic victims and their families with an opportunity to remind the

world of these troubling statistics and to have their voices heard.

I ask my colleagues to join me today in remembering those who have lost their lives or were injured as a result of a road crash, to console the families of those affected, and to commit ourselves to the goal of making roads safe for everyone around the world.

AT 100, SADIE STRAWN STILL HAS  
SPUNK**HON. TED POE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, this week will not just be a typical Thursday. For 100 years ago this day Mrs. Sadie Strawn was born.

Born and raised in Byhalia, Mississippi, Mrs. Strawn has appreciated the beauty of God's country from day one. She attributes her health to the good food of the South and The good Lord who provides it, never taking for granted all that she has been given.

After high school, Mrs. Strawn left the comfort of her family and moved to Memphis in pursuit of a nursing degree.

This was not her first courageous move, as she is known to have been a bit of a daredevil throughout her early years—riding cows, jumping out of haylofts, and swimming down rivers.

It was in college that she met her husband, Malcolm Strawn, and decided to devote her life to raising a loving family.

Nashville was lucky to have the Strawns for 45 years, after which Mr. and Mrs. Strawn packed up and moved to Houston in order to be closer to their grandchildren.

Upon arrival, Mrs. Strawn became immediately involved in the Republican Party as a delegate at the Texas State Convention. She was the oldest person to vote in this year's Midterm Elections!

Mrs. Strawn is the proud mother of Jim, Bill, and Dave Strawn. She has eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, all of whom hope to be just like her when they grow up.

According to her sons, her barbecue meatballs are world famous. She would feed them to anyone that asked to be fed after church on Sundays, and still found time to be active in her boy's scouting.

After 100 years, Mrs. Strawn's is still as active as ever. She walks nearly a mile every day without any assistance. She is an active member of her Church at Paradise Springs Independent Living and plans to be for years to come.

The Strawn boys are continuously thankful for the values that their mother instilled in them: responsibility, commitment, and faithfulness.

At 100 years old, Sadie Strawn still has spunk.

And that's just the way it is.

## RECOGNIZING RODERICK M. HILLS

**HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. ROYCE. Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege and honor to recognize Roderick M. Hills who

passed away on October 29 of this year. Rod served our country through his efforts to strengthen relations between the United States and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Thirty years ago, in partnership with Caltex (now Chevron) and IBM, Rod founded what is today the US-ASEAN Business Council, aided by a grant from the U.S. Department of State that was matched two to one by the private sector to establish an organization that would promote and support ASEAN. In 1985, as Chairman of the Council, Rod established its first office. He has played a critical role in supporting the Council ever since, whether providing guidance to subsequent chairmen or advising government officials of the United States and the ASEAN countries or leaders in the private sector.

Today, the Council's members include more than 140 of the leading U.S. companies doing business in Southeast Asia, together representing over \$6 trillion in annual revenue and more than 13 million employees.

ASEAN has become America's fourth largest export market, supporting some 560,000 U.S. jobs through nearly \$100 billion in goods and services exports to ASEAN. U.S. investment in ASEAN is greater than U.S. investment in Brazil, Russia, India and China combined. Investment by ASEAN in the United States has grown over 1,440 percent since 2001, creating new jobs across the country and on track to create even more.

The past 30 years have seen a significant strengthening of ties between the United States and ASEAN. And Rod was there for every one of those years.

Rod served the United States in many capacities throughout his life, including as the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission in the Ford Administration, and he had an exemplary career in the legal profession. But his dedication and passion for Southeast Asia and his appreciation for the potential that ASEAN creates is a testament to the difference one person can make.

Significantly, he founded and became chairman of the Hills Program on Governance that established Centers for the Study of Governance in academic institutions around the globe, including at the Asian Institute of Management in the Philippines and the University of Indonesia. This initiative aims to identify serious governance problems in both the public and private spheres, and it works to develop a better understanding of the corrupting influences that create such problems and organize efforts to reduce those influences.

Ideas like this help change societies. They build the foundation on which security and opportunity can prosper. They pave the way for growth and resiliency. And Rod Hills created a lasting impact on the way in which the countries all over the world, and in Southeast Asia in particular, are embracing the realities of the 21st century and looking to the future.

Again, I want to recognize Rod Hills for his service to the United States and in particular for his vision for and steadfast support to the US-ASEAN Business Council and the important work they have done for the last 30 years to advance business relations between ASEAN and America.

RECOGNIZING JAKE BORNSTEIN,  
CHRIS KIELKOPF, KEELEY  
MAHANES, AND AARON SCHMIDT

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jake Bornstein, Chris Kielkopf, Keeley Mahanes, and Aaron Schmidt for their hard work and dedication to the people of Colorado's Sixth District as interns in my Washington, DC office for the Fall 2014 session of Congress.

The work of these young men and women has been exemplary and I know they all have bright futures. They served as tour guides, interacted with constituents, and learned a great deal about our nation's legislative process. I was glad to be able to offer this educational opportunity to these four and look forward to seeing them build their careers in public service.

All four of our interns have made plans to continue their work next year with various organizations in both Colorado and Washington. I am certain they will succeed in their new roles and wish them all the best in their future endeavors. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Jake Bornstein, Chris Kielkopf, Keeley Mahanes, and Aaron Schmidt for their service this fall.

HONORING DAVID BURRELLI

**HON. DUNCAN HUNTER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, November 17, 2014*

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute the career of a distinguished servant of

Congress in the area of national defense—David Burrelli, Ph.D. In early January, Dave will retire from the Congressional Research Service after 30 years of faithful service to the legislative branch.

Dave joined CRS in 1985 while a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Chicago. In the years that followed, he's contributed enormously to discussions in the national defense arena, supplying a thoughtful and rational voice on tough issues. One of Dave's many contributions involved helping me write into federal law the definition of gender neutral standards for women in ground combat assignments. His comprehensive knowledge on the issue was impressive and his guidance and steady hand, on something that no doubt was viewed by some as polarizing, produced a bipartisan product that is certain to have a beneficial impact on our military. Most importantly, the provision will ensure we maintain an effective fighting force—which Dave knows something about as a graduate of Marine Officer Candidate School in July 1978.

Dave's time in the Marine Corps was just the start of a long, distinguished record of service. He graduated from the University of Maryland in 1979 and received his Master's degree from Maryland in 1981. In 1986, he received his Ph.D. and his dissertation "Evaluation of the Program to Recruit College-Bound Youth into the Army" helped the Army to develop a program which eventually became The New GI Bill. Dave's formal education did not end there. He is a proud 1996 graduate of the National War College where he received a Master of Science degree in National Security Strategy.

As a CRS specialist in military manpower policy, Dave worked on military force structure, compensation, health care, and variety of military social issues such HIV/AIDS, and sexual assault to name but a few. Dave also became CRS's resident expert on military medals and awards and provided exemplary sup-

port to Congress on this important aspect of military service.

In March 1993, Dave was a leading witness for the Senate Armed Services Committee hearing on "Policy Concerning Homosexuals in the Armed Forces." In a letter to the Director of CRS, Senator Sam Nunn, the committee chairman, noted "During one of the longest hearings we have ever held during my 20 years on the Committee, he consistently provided clear answers to extremely difficult questions about military life and the relationship between the military and civilian society. Dr. Burrelli has assisted the Committee in developing [an] authoritative foundation for the Committee's hearings on this most difficult issue. In doing so, he has performed an important public service." In recognition of Dave's recognized ability to handle difficult and sensitive topics, he continued to serve as the service's lead specialist on a variety of highly sensitive and important military social issues until his retirement. Dave also provided distinguished service to CRS as a supervisor of the CRS intern program for five years and as a Library of Congress docent for ten years. In his capacity as a docent, he was often asked to provide library tours to a variety of distinguished visitors.

And if all of this didn't keep Dave busy enough, his friends and colleagues tell me he's also an accomplished musician and has played in over 125 area theater productions as a bassist.

Dr. David Burrelli leaves behind him not only a distinguished public service career but a legacy of leadership and mentorship to colleagues, congressional staff, and defense policy analysts alike. I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our deepest gratitude and appreciation to him for his 30 years of service to Congress and our nation.

## SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, 2014 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

## MEETINGS SCHEDULED

## NOVEMBER 19

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Lourdes Maria Castro Ramirez, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Therese W. McMillan, of California, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Housing Finance Agency, focusing on balancing stability, growth, and affordability in the mortgage market.

SD-538

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider S. 2917, Adding Ebola to the FDA Priority Review Voucher Program Act, H.R. 669, to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and help better understand and enhance awareness about unexpected sudden death in early life, and the nominations of P. David Lopez, of Arizona, to be General Counsel, and Charlotte A. Burrows, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member, both of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Adri Davin Jayaratne, of Michigan, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, Mary Lucille Jordan, of Maryland, and Michael Young, of Pennsylvania, both to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, and any pending nominations.

SD-430

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine preparedness and response to public health threats, focusing on how ready we are.

SD-342

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine combating corruption in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) region, focusing on the link be-

tween security and good governance, including a need to build effective institutions and the important role played by civil society in combating corruption.

SVC-203-202

10:30 a.m.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to examine veterans' mental health and suicide.

SR-418

2:15 p.m.

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine the private industry's role in stemming the tide of phone scams.

SD-562

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Antony Blinken, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of State.

SD-419

Committee on Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine protecting our children's mental health, focusing on preventing and addressing childhood trauma in Indian country.

SD-628

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Gilberto de Jesus, of Maryland, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration.

SR-428A

## NOVEMBER 20

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

To hold hearings to examine Wall Street bank involvement with physical commodities, focusing on the extent to which banks and their holding companies own physical commodities like oil, natural gas, aluminum and other industrial metals, as well as own or control businesses like power plants, oil and gas pipelines, and commodity warehouses.

SD-106

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine the Takata airbag recalls and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's (NHTSA) recall process.

SR-253

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lauren McGarity McFerran, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board.

SD-430

Committee on the Judiciary

Business meeting to consider S. 2520, to improve the Freedom of Information Act, H.R. 1447, to encourage States to report to the Attorney General certain information regarding the deaths of individuals in the custody of law enforcement agencies, and the nominations of Jorge Luis Alonso, and John Robert Blakey, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Allison Dale Burroughs, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, Jeanne E. Davidson, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Inter-

national Trade, Haywood Stirling Gilliam, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Amos L. Mazzant, III, and Robert William Schroeder III, both to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas, Amit Priyavadan Mehta, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Robert Lee Pitman, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, and Sarah R. Saldana, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

SD-226

1 p.m.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Subcommittee on Primary Health and Aging

To hold hearings to examine the pricing of generic drugs.

SD-430

2:30 p.m.

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SD-562

## NOVEMBER 21

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

To continue hearings to examine Wall Street bank involvement with physical commodities, focusing on the extent to which banks and their holding companies own physical commodities like oil, natural gas, aluminum and other industrial metals, as well as own or control businesses like power plants, oil and gas pipelines, and commodity warehouses.

SD-106

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection

To hold hearings to examine improving financial institution supervision, focusing on addressing regulatory capture.

SD-538

## DECEMBER 2

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Robert M. Scher, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Strategy, Plans, and Capabilities, David J. Berteau, to be Assistant Secretary for Logistics and Material Readiness, Alissa M. Starzak, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, and Admiral Harry B. Harris, Jr., USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, United States Pacific Command, all of the Department of Defense.

SH-216

## POSTPONEMENTS

## NOVEMBER 19

11 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine The FANS Act, focusing on if sports blackouts and antitrust exemptions are harming fans, consumers, and the games themselves.

SD-226